

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR COOPERATION IN THE
FIELD OF TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING
BETWEEN THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY (TESDA) AND THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS
AUTHORITY (NQA)**

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority of the Republic of the Philippines ,
hereinafter referred to as TESDA,

and

The National Qualifications Authority of the United Arab Emirates hereinafter referred to as
NQA,

DESIRING to strengthen existing friendly relations between the two countries through
cooperation in the fields of human capacity building and employment promotion;

RECOGNIZING the benefits to be derived from such cooperation by both countries ;

SHARING the interest in human resource development especially in the areas of technical
vocational education and training;

RECALLING the initial discussions of TESDA and NQA during the exchange visits in April
2015 and August 2015, respectively;

HAVE REACHED the following Understanding :

Paragraph 1

Objectives

The Participants in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in their countries will:

- 1 . Seek to recognize the existing technical vocational education and training qualifications
framework in both countries including competency standards for existing occupations , system
of training , competency assessment , quality assurance and certification;
2. Develop a mechanism by which the recognition of systems can be formalized and
implemented;
3. Cooperate in planning and conducting capacity building programs ; and
- 4 . Upgrade the competencies of workers in both countries to improve the quality of work.

Paragraph 2

Areas of Cooperation

TESDA and NQA will work towards the promotion and cooperation in the field of technical
vocational education and training through: